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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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THIS IS AN INFORMATION REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTELLIGENCE.

REPORT CLASS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

COUNTRY: ARGENTINA

SUBJECT: ALLEGED BELIEF OF THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT THAT THE
CURRENT U.S. ADMINISTRATION IS TRYING TO "DESTABILIZE"
IT BY USING THE HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN [REDACTED]

SOURCE: [REDACTED]

1. [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED]

PREPARE THE ARGENTINE RESPONSE TO THE

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REPORT ON ARGENTINA PREPARED BY THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION
ON HUMAN RIGHTS (IACHR). [REDACTED] THE REPORT IS VERY
SERIOUS AND VERY NEGATIVE FOR THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] A U.S. CITIZEN ON THE IACHR HAD "PARTICIPATED
SIGNIFICANTLY" IN ITS PREPARATION. [REDACTED] THE REPORT
PROVIDES DETAILS OF SPECIFIC INCIDENTS OF ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS
VIOLATIONS IN ARGENTINA, INCLUDING THE FULL NAMES OF MILITARY
OFFICERS WHO TOOK PART, THE NAMES OF PERSONS THEY KIDNAPPED,
ETC. [REDACTED] THE REPORT CONCLUDES THAT TORTURE WAS USED
SYSTEMATICALLY IN ARGENTINA.

3. [REDACTED]

4. [REDACTED]

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5. [REDACTED] COMMENT: AS REPORTED IN BUENOS
AIRES TELEGRAM 102, FRAGMENTS OF THE ABOVE REPORT CIRCULATED
IN THE BUENOS AIRES PRESS IN THE LATTER HALF OF DECEMBER,
APPARENTLY PRECIPITATED BY, OR AT LEAST STRENGTHENED AS A
RESULT OF, THE PRESS RELEASE 13 DECEMBER OF A PRIVATE HUMAN
RIGHTS ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS OFFICES IN WASHINGTON. WHILE
WE DO NOT HAVE THE TEXT OF THAT RELEASE, IT PURPORTEDLY
PREDICTED, IN EFFECT, THAT HEADS WOULD ROLL IN THE ARGENTINE
GOVERNMENT WHEN THE IACHR REPORT ON ARGENTINA WAS MADE PUBLIC.
ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTER CARLOS WASHINGTON P. A. S. T. O. R. HAS
TOLD THE PRESS THAT THE IACHR REPORT IS UNFAIRLY TOUGH ON
ARGENTINA AND BIASED. IN REPORTING DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING
ARGENTINA'S EXAMINATION OF THE (STILL CONFIDENTIAL) DRAFT
REPORT, THE BUENOS AIRES MEDIA HAVE IMPLIED THAT THE TONE
AND THRUST OF THAT REPORT WERE HEAVILY INFLUENCED BY THE STATE
DEPARTMENT--ALLUSIONS BEING MADE TO AN ALLEGEDLY CLOSE WORKING
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ONE SPECIFICALLY NAMED MEMBER OF THE

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IACHR AND OFFICIALS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT AS AN IMPLIED
EXPLANATION FOR THE NEGATIVE OUTCOME OF THE REPORT. WE
BELIEVE THAT THE PRESS PLAY FOLLOWS GUIDANCE PREPARED BY THE
ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT.

ALMOST EVERY CRISIS IN ARGENTINE-US RELATIONS
INVOLVING HUMAN RIGHTS OVER THE PAST THREE AND A HALF YEARS
HAS BEEN ACCOMPANIED BY AN EMOTIONAL KNEE-JERK RATIONALIZATION
AMONG ELEMENTS WITHIN THE GOA, PURPORTING AN ALLEGED US
ATTEMPT TO "DESTABILIZE" THE CURRENT MILITARY REGIME. GIVEN
THIS NATURAL PREDILECTION, IT IS NO SURPRISE THAT THE GOA
WOULD REACT TO THE IACHR REPORT IN THIS FASHION, ESPECIALLY
SINCE IN THIS CASE THERE APPARENTLY IS A STATEMENT ON THE
RECORD EXPLICITLY PREDICTING THAT SPECIFIC CHANGES IN THE
ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT WILL RESULT FROM THE IACHR REPORT.)

6. [REDACTED]

7. [REDACTED]

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